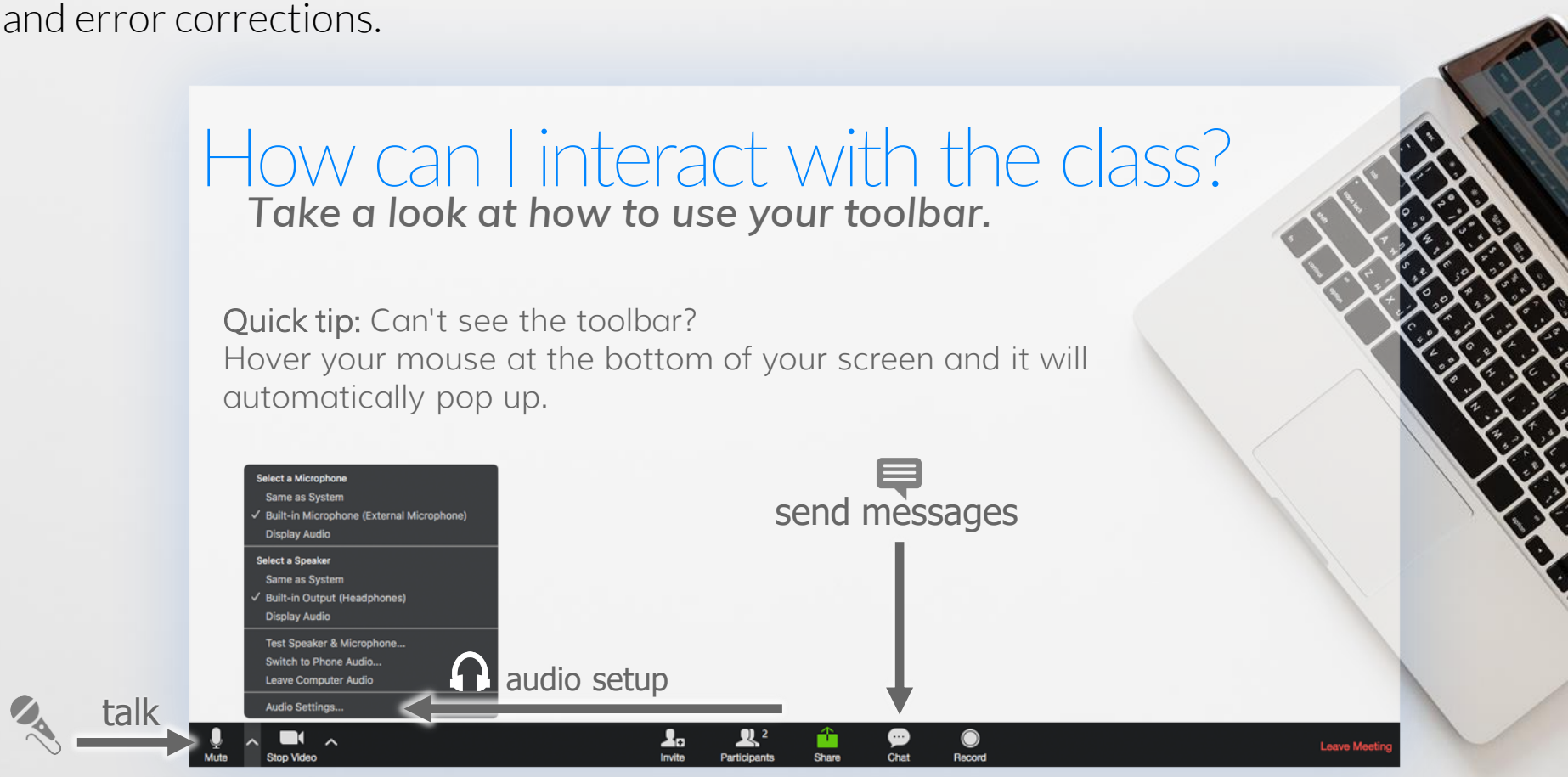
Welcome!

This is a classic class with a small group of students focusing on grammar, vocabulary, and error corrections.



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Medical Professions

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- talk about different jobs in the medical profession.
- discuss medical technicians.
- discuss the education for medical professions.

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Warm Up

Describe the picture and answer the questions. Listen to your classmates' answers.

- What is happening in this picture?
- Who are these people?
- Where are they?
- Do you know anyone who is a medical professional? Tell the class about them.

In this picture, _____.

They are_____. They are working in a _____.

Vocabulary Match

First, guess what each word means. Then, match the words to their definitions.

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pharmacy

laboratory

medical record

patient

prescription

technician

A room for scientific experiments

A place where patients get medication

A person who does technical work

A doctor's note for medicine

A person who visits the doctor

Official health documents

Vocabulary Fill in the Blank

Complete the sentences with the correct vocabulary words and answer the question.

The doctor will write you a _____ for your health problem.

The hospital made a copy of my _____ for me.

The _____ is looking through the microscope.

The _____ sells medicine.

The doctor has seen 14 _____ this morning.

We will send your blood to the _____.

pharmacy	laboratory	medical record	patients	prescription	technician

Do you visit the pharmacy often? Is it common to have regular prescriptions mailed to a patient in your country?

Let's Talk

Describe the pictures. Ask and answer the questions with your classmates.

Ultrasound technician

Lab technician

What does each technician do? Have you ever visited one of these technicians? Would you like to be a medical technician? What kind?

Grammar Practice

Talk about past continuous tense.

Past continuous verbs show that an action was happening continuously in the past.
This is the structure: was/were + verb + -ing

Which sentences have verbs in past continuous?

1. Isabel was filling the prescription.

2. Luke is testing the tissue samples.

3. The surgery is going well.

4. The X-ray technician was studying the X-ray slides.

What is something that was happening continuously in the past?
Make a sentence using past continuous.

Career Corner

Read about X-ray technicians and answer the questions with your class.

An X-ray technician helps patients and doctors by finding broken bones. An X-ray technician uses special machines that use X-rays to make pictures of bones. Students who want to work as X-ray technicians must get a college diploma and a specialist's certification.

- Have you ever had an X-ray? Tell the class about it.
- Would you like to work as an X-ray technician? Why or why not?
- Is this a popular job in your country?

Word Forms

Match the parts of the phrases and use each phrase in a sentence.

What can medical specialists do? Match these common medical phrases. Which specialist does each job?

perform	the lab (laboratory)
fill	surgery
comfort	an X-ray
send tests to	a patient
take	a prescription

Use each phrase in a sentence.

Idiom

Talk about this idiom with your teacher and classmates and answer the question.

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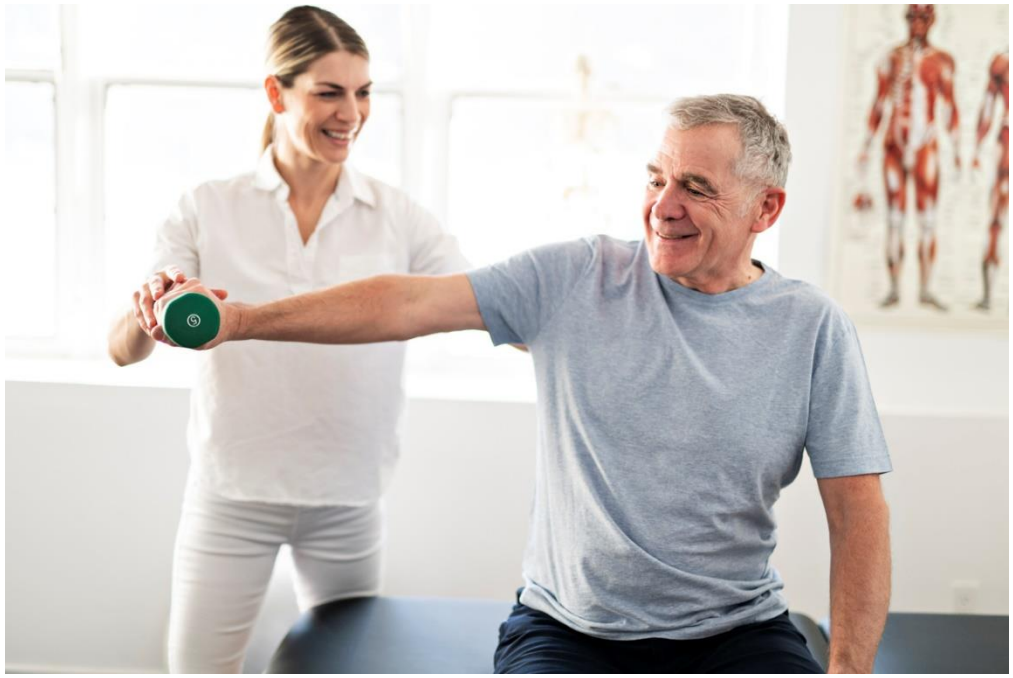
to be back on one's feet = to recover



Example: After the surgery, you should *be back on your feet* in a few weeks.

How long does it usually take to get back on your feet when you're sick?

Did you Know?

Read about medical technicians and answer the questions.

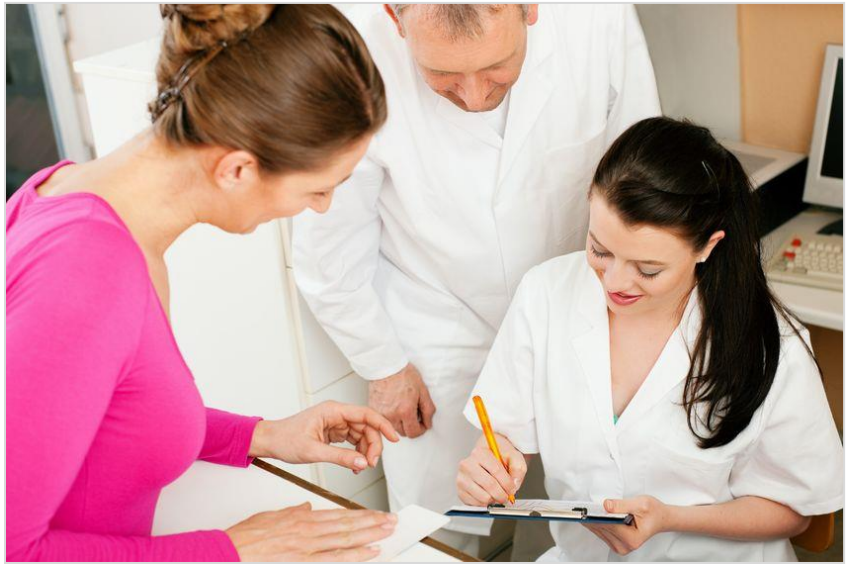
Did you know:

- Many medical technician jobs do not require medical school.
- Some medical technician jobs require a certificate or bachelor's degree.
- Salaries for medical technicians vary. However, the average medical technician makes $40,000-$60,000 per year in the U.S.

Are you surprised by this information? Why?
What do you think a medical technician must study to get a certification?

Discussion

Talk about medical technicians and answer these questions with your classmates.



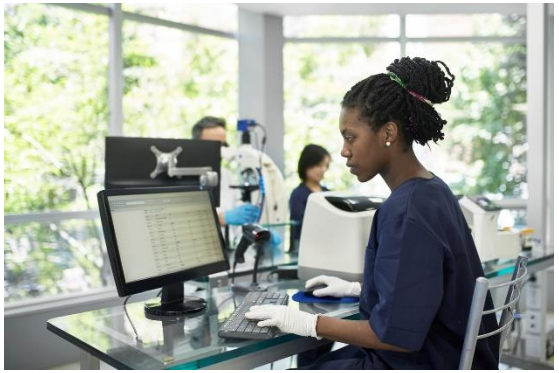
If you were a medical technician, what type of technician would you be?

Why is this type of job interesting to you?

Do you know a technician or specialist? What do they do?

Pronunciation Practice

Repeat this sentence after your teacher.

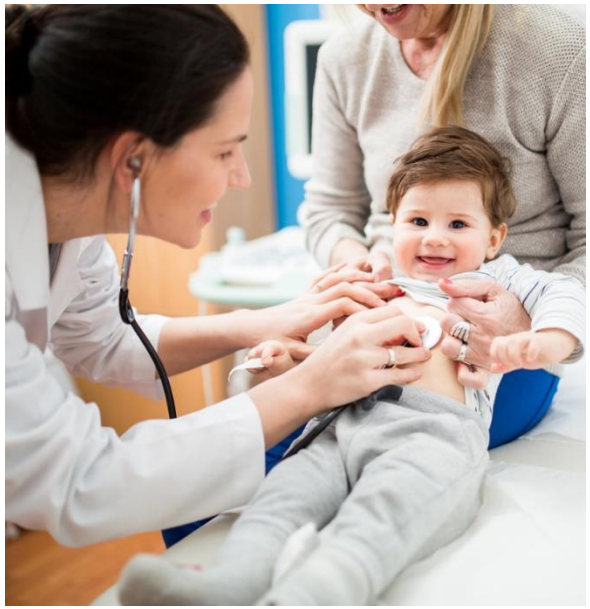


The timid technician trained with tremendous tenacity.

How do you make the [t] sound with your mouth?

Sign Post

Read the quote and discuss.



"Treat the patient, not the X-ray."

-James M. Hunter
(American Physician)

What does this mean to you?

Do you think it's more important to be a talented doctor or a kind doctor? Why?

Role Play

Choose a role and act it out with a partner. Take turns.

Role A

You want to become a medical technician. Ask a specialist for advice. Answer the specialist's questions. Will you accept his/her recommendation?

Role B

You are an experienced medical technician. Ask the younger person questions about why he/she wants to be a technician. Recommend a career for him/her.

Class Project

Work with your class to complete this project.

Your group is opening a new hospital. You may choose three new technicians. Which are the most important? Try to agree as a class.

ultrasound technician

pharmacy technician

laboratory technician

surgical technician

emergency medical technician

Wrap Up

Talk with your class and answer the questions.

Name three types of medical technicians.

What type of education is required to be a medical technician?

Which medical technician would you like to be?

What is something that was happening continuously in the past?